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SUBJECT: MTN: PROSPECTIVE US-JAPAN CONSULTATIONS IN JANUARY

REFERENCE: MTN GENEVA 9320 (BEING REPEATED TOKYO)

1. ON EVE OF HIS RETURN TO TOKYO FOR HOLIDAY PERIOD
UKAWA OF GOJ MTN DEL REQUESTED CLARIFICATION OF SUGGESTION
MADE BILATERALLY TO AMB TSURUMI DURING TNC THAT U.S. WOULD
WELCOME A BILATERAL CONSULTATION WITH JAPAN ON ALL MAJOR
MTN ISSUES SOMETIME IN JANUARY. I CONFIRMED WE WANTED
SUCH A CONSULTATION AND COMMENTED ALONG LINES PARAS 3 AND 5
REFTEL, EMPHASIZING "MANAGEMENT" NATURE OF CONSULTATIONS,
NOT "DECISION-MAKING." I ADDED WE WERE OPEN TO SUGGESTIONS
FROM GOJ SIDE IF THEY THOUGHT FOCUS SHOULD BE DIFFERENT.
I SAID WE PREFER CONSULTATIONS BE IN GENEVA, EXPECTED
AMBASSADOR WALKER WOULD BE SENIOR EP ON U.S. SIDE BUT
WITH SOME WASHINGTON PARTICIPATION, PROBABLY FROM STR.
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CONCERNING DATE, WE WERE FLEXIBLE BUT HAD IN MIND LATTER

PART OF JANUARY AND SUGGESTED 26 OR 26-27 FOR PLANNING PURPOSES; WE WERE AWARE FROM AMB TSURUMI THAT DIET LIKELY TO BE IN SESSION WHICH WOULD PRECLUDE TOP-LEVEL PARTICIPATION FROM TOKYO BUT CONSIDERED IT DESIRABLE THAT ONE OR MORE SENIOR STAFF PEOPLE RESPONSIBLE FOR MTN WORK IN TOKYO PARTICIPATE IF POSSIBLE.

2. UKAWA WELCOMED U.S. INITIATIVE AND FOREGOING CLARIFICATION; HE SAID GOJ DEL ITSELF HAS FELT NEED FOR PRECISELY THIS KIND OF MEETING FOR SOME TIME AND WE COULD ACCORDINGLY CONSIDER THAT GOJ HAS ACCEPTED "IN PRINCIPLE." HE PROMISED TO CONSULT HIS COLLEAGUES UPON RETURN TO TOKYO THIS WEEKEND AND GOJ WOULD BE IN TOUCH WITH US EITHER IN GENEVA, WASHINGTON OR TOKYO TO FIRM UP DATE AND TO COMMUNICATE ANY SUGGESTIONS GOJ MAY WISH TO ADVANCE WITH RESPECT TO AGENDA.CULBERT

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